

REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register: 20 May 1997
 Name of applicant/court: Secretary for Internal Affairs
 Applicant to the Labelling Body: Not Applicable
 Title of Publication: The Salesman's Surprise / The Truth About Jennifer / Witch On Heels
 Other Known Titles: She Male Encounters, She Male Encounters Collection 4
 Director: Not Stated
 Producer: Not Stated
 Publisher: Not Applicable
 Author: Not Applicable
 Format: Video Recording VHS/PAL
 Country of Origin: Not Stated
 Language: English

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Components of film originally examined:

Feature:	The Salesman's Surprise / The Truth About Jennifer / Witch On Heels	Running time:	50.16
Trailers:	Videorama Presents Notice	Running time:	0.12
		Total Running time:	50.28

Excision/Alteration: No.

Reason(s) for Excision:

Nil.

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Classification Decision:

Objectionable.

Display conditions:

Not Applicable.

Descriptive Note:

Not Applicable.

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Direction to issue a label has not been given.

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

The video recording entitled *The Salesman's Surprise / The Truth About Jennifer / Witch On Heels* is classified as:
Objectionable.

The video recording consists of three scenes explicitly depicting adult males, females, and persons with breasts and penises engaged in sexual activities. The activities mainly present as consensual, however in the second scene some activities present as coercion in association with sexual conduct. A male applies force to a transsexual female's head immediately before and during fellatio on three occasions, in a manner which also presents as degrading for the female. Degrading, dehumanising, and demeaning sexual and physical conduct is most concentrated in the third scene, where a female degrades and dehumanises a male characterised as a female with verbal abuse and by manipulating his genitals in an apparently cruel and painful manner. She twists, stretches and winds his penis and testicles, causing him pain. In both of these scenes the males identifying to some degree as females are the recipients of degrading treatment from their partners. This appears to imply that such persons, who are variant in their sexual identities, orientations, or practices, are inferior to their partners and do not deserve respect. Excision of this material was recommended, however the owner of the publication did not respond to the notice requesting the excisions, and the notice lapsed.

Consideration has also been given to the relevant provisions of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 as they affect this publication. Due to the extent and manner in which the video recording presents coercion in association with sexual conduct, degrading, dehumanising, and demeaning physical and sexual conduct, the sexualised infliction of cruelty and pain on persons with variant sexual identities and practices, and the apparent implication that the above conduct is legitimate as such persons are inferior to their sexual partners, the resulting limit on the availability of the publication is considered to be reasonable and demonstrably justified.

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